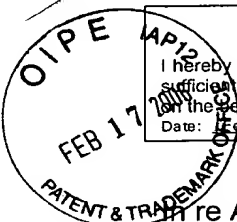


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Re Appln. of: ROBERT WASTLHUBER et al.  
 Appln. No.: 09/884,553  
 Filed: June 18, 2001  
 For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR SERIAL DATA TRANSMISSION BETWEEN A POSITION MEASURING SYSTEM AND A PROCESSING UNIT  
 Attorney Docket No: 56/353

Examiner: Qureshi, Afsar M.  
 Art Unit: 2667

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- ☒ Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, Two (2) Cited References, Check for \$130.00.
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- ☒ No additional fee is required.
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In compliance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby submit the following references for consideration by the Examiner. In particular the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d) have been

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satisfied as shown by (1) the attached certification in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) and (2) the concurrent filing of a check for the amount of \$ 130 to cover the Rule 97(d) petition fee set forth under Rule 1.17(i)(1). Copies of the cited references and a completed copy of Form PTO-1449 are enclosed.

## **I. DISCLOSURE**

### **A. Foreign Patent References**

<b><u>Reference No.</u></b>	<b><u>Country</u></b>	<b><u>Publication Date</u></b>
WO 00/03521	WIPO	01/20/00
WO 00/24165	WIPO	04/27/00

## **II. DISCUSSION**

### **A. WIPO Reference No. WO 00/03521**

The '521 reference was cited in an Office Action for a corresponding German Patent Application.

### **B. WIPO Reference No. WO 00/24165**

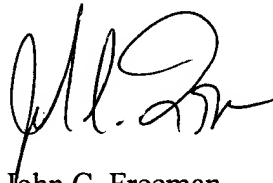
The '165 reference was cited in an Office Action for a corresponding German Patent Application.

## **III. CONCLUSION**

It is believed that none of these references, alone or in combination, disclose or suggest the invention claimed. However, Applicants wish to make it clear that the disclosure of the above references is in no way an admission that they qualify as prior art. It is Applicants' desire, however, to have these references available in the record for both the Examiner and the public to

see. Applicants therefore request that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of each reference and make the above-listed references of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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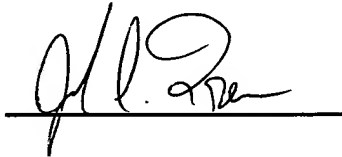
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